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In re Application of :
Fuhrmann, et al. :
Application No. 10/666,429 : ON PETITION
Filed: September 19, 2003 :
Title: EMERGENCY EVACUATION SYSTEM :
FOR HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS :

This is a decision on the petition to revive an unintentionally abandoned application under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed November 22, 2006

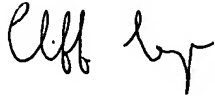
The petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely pay the issue fee in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed November 10, 2005. This notice set a statutory period for reply of three (3) months. The issue fee was filed on February 13, 2006, bearing a Certificate of Mailing under 37 CFR \$1.8 dated February 11, 2006. However, the last day the issue fee could have been dated pursuant to \$1.8 to be considered timely filed would have been February 10, 2006. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on February 11, 2006. Applicants filed a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment on February 11, 2006. However, the petition was dismissed in a decision mailed on March 17, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on July 10, 2006.

With the instant petition, applicants paid the petition fee and made the proper statement of unintentional delay. The required reply in the form of the issue fee was previously filed on February 13, 2006.

The matter is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publication for processing into a patent.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

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